

General Assembly

Amendment

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Offered by:

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"An Act Concerning Voluntary Environmental Audits."

- 1 In line 1, before "Public" insert "Section 1."
- 2 After line 89, add the following:
- 3 "Sec. 2. Section 22a-27j of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 5 (a) Any person, firm or corporation, other than a municipality,
- 6 making an application for any approval required by chapters 124, 126,
- 7 440 and 444 shall pay a fee of ten dollars, in addition to any other fee
- 8 which may be required, to the municipal agency or legislative body
- 9 which is authorized to approve the application. Such municipal agency
- 10 or legislative body shall collect such fees, retaining one dollar of such
- 11 fee for administrative costs, and shall pay the remainder of such fees
- 12 quarterly to the Department of Environmental Protection and the
- 13 receipts shall be deposited into an account of the State Treasurer and
- 14 credited to the Environmental Quality Fund established pursuant to
- 15 section 22a-27g. The portion of such fund attributable to the fees
- 16 established by this section shall be used by the Department of

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17 Environmental Protection for the purpose of funding the

- 18 environmental review teams program of the Bureau of Water
- 19 Management within said department, the Council on Soil and Water
- 20 Conservation established pursuant to section 22a-315 and the eight
- 21 county soil and water conservation districts.
- 22 (b) Not later than three months following the close of each fiscal
- 23 year starting with fiscal year July 1, 2000, the Department of
- 24 Environmental Protection shall identify those municipalities that are
- 25 not in compliance with subsection (a) of this section for the previous
- 26 <u>fiscal year and shall provide the Office of Policy and Management with</u>
- 27 <u>a list of such municipalities. The list shall be submitted annually and in</u>
- 28 such manner as the Office of Policy and Management may require. The
- 29 Office of Policy and Management, when issuing the first payment from
- 30 <u>the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund established pursuant to</u>
- 31 section 3-55i, as amended, in the fiscal year during which said list is
- 32 received, shall reduce said payment to a municipality by five hundred
- 33 dollars for each quarter of the preceding fiscal year that the
- 34 <u>municipality has failed to collect as a fee required under subsection (a)</u>
- of this section to a maximum of two thousand dollars in each fiscal
- 36 year. The Office of Policy and Management shall certify to the State
- 27 Comptroller the amount of any funds withheld under this subsection
- to be transferred to the Environmental Quality Fund for the uses set forth in subsection (a) of this section, and the State Comptroller shall
- 40 <u>cause said amount to be transferred to such fund.</u>
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage, except that section
- 42 1 shall take effect October 1, 2000."